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In re Application of  
Tsen, et al.  
Application No. 09/994,439  
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Atty. Dkt. No. 06128-266001  
Title: SHOE

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: DECISION GRANTING STATUS  
: UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(a)  
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This is in response to the renewed petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a),  
filed July 22, 2002.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

Petitioner has shown that inventors Jason L. Nevens and Matthew  
Sumner have refused to join in the filing of the above-identified  
application after having been presented with the application  
papers.

The above-identified application and papers have been reviewed  
and found in compliance with 37 CFR 1.47(a). This application is  
hereby accorded Rule 1.47(a) status.

As provided in Rule 1.47(c), this Office will forward notice of  
this application's filing to the non-signing inventor at the  
address given in the petition. Notice of the filing of this  
application will also be published in the Official Gazette.

After this decision is mailed, the above-identified application  
will be returned to the Office of Initial Patent Examination for  
further processing.

Telephone inquiries related to this decision may be directed to  
the undersigned at (703) 305-0310.

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